tion portions of the system including a comparison of actual costs with original estimated costs and revised estimates of total system cost and total funding needs for the contract.

- (4) The status of Commission efforts to obtain and maintain staff with the proper contractual, managerial, and technical expertise to oversee the EDGAR project.
- (5) The fees, revenues, costs, and profits obtained or incurred by the contractor as a result of the required dissemination of information from the system to the public under the EDGAR contract, except that the information required under this paragraph (A) need be obtained from the contractor no more frequently than once each year, and (B) may be submitted to the Congress as a separate confidential document.
- (6) Such other information or recommendations as the Commission considers appropriate.

(c) Certification respecting prescribed items to Congressional committees

On or before the date the Commission enters into the contract for the EDGAR system, the Commission shall submit to the Committees on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs and Governmental Affairs of the Senate and the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Government Operations of the House of Representatives a certification by the Commission-

- (1) of the total contract costs to the Federal Government of the EDGAR system for each of the 3 succeeding fiscal years;
- (2) that the Commission has analyzed the quantitative and qualitative benefits to be obtained by the establishment and operation of the system and has determined that such benefits justify the costs certified pursuant to paragraph (1):
- (3) that (A) the contract requires the contractor to establish a schedule for the implementation of the system; (B) the Commission has reviewed and approved that schedule; and (C) the contract contains adequate assurances of contractor compliance with that schedule;
- (4) of the capabilities which the system is intended to provide and of the competence of the contractor and of Commission personnel to implement those capabilities; and
- (5) that mandatory filings from a significant test group of registrants will be received and reviewed by the Commission for a period of at least six months before the adoption of any rule requiring mandatory filing by all registrants.

(d) Rules or regulations

The Commission, by rule or regulation—

- (1) shall provide that any information in the EDGAR system that is required to be disseminated by the contractor-
 - (A) may be sold or disseminated by the contractor only pursuant to a uniform schedule of fees prescribed by the Commis-
 - (B) may be obtained by a purchaser by direct interconnection with the EDGAR sys-
 - (C) shall be equally available on equal terms to all persons; and

- (D) may be used, resold, or redisseminated by any person who has lawfully obtained such information without restriction and without payment of additional fees or royal-
- (2) shall require that persons, or classes of persons, required to make filings with the Commission submit such filings in a form and manner suitable for entry into the EDGAR system and shall specify the date that such requirement is effective with respect to that person or class; except that the Commission may exempt persons or classes of persons, or filings or classes of filings, from such rules or regulations in order to prevent hardships or to avoid imposing unreasonable burdens or as otherwise may be necessary or appropriate; and
- (3) shall require all persons who make any filing with the Commission, in addition to complying with such other rules concerning the form and manner of filing as the Commission may prescribe, to submit such filings in written or printed form-
 - (A) for a period of at least one year after the effective date specified for such person or class under paragraph (2); or
 - (B) for a shorter period if the Commission determines that the EDGAR system (i) is reliable, (ii) provides a suitable alternative to such written and printed filings, and (iii) assures that the provision of information through the EDGAR system is as effective and efficient for filers, users, and disseminators as provision of such information in written or printed form.

(e) Consultations of Commission with representatives of information interests

For the purposes of carrying out its responsibilities under subsection (d)(3) of this section, the Commission shall consult with representatives of persons filing, disseminating, and using information contained in filings with the Commission.

(June 6, 1934, ch. 404, title I, §35A, as added Dec. 4, 1987, Pub. L. 100-181, title I, §102, 101 Stat. 1249.)

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on Energy and Commerce of House of Representatives treated as referring to Committee on Commerce of House of Representatives by section 1(a) of Pub. L. 104-14, set out as a note preceding section 21 of Title 2, The Congress.

Committee on Government Operations of House of Representatives treated as referring to Committee on Government Reform and Oversight of House of Representatives by section 1(a) of Pub. L. 104-14, set out as a note preceding section 21 of Title 2.

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CHAPTER REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This chapter is referred to in section 78c of this title; title 7 section 12a; title 11 sections 555, 559, 742.

§ 78aaa. Short title

This chapter may be cited as the "Securities Investor Protection Act of 1970".

(Pub. L. 91-598, §1(a), Dec. 30, 1970, 84 Stat. 1636.)

References in Text

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original "This Act", meaning Pub. L. 91-598, Dec. 30, 1970, 84 Stat. 1636. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

SHORT TITLE OF 1978 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 95–283, 1, May 21, 1978, 92 Stat. 249, provided that: "This Act [enacting sections 78fff–1 to 78fff–4 of this title, amending sections 77c, 78c, 78k, and 78ccc to 78lll of this title and enacting provisions set out as a note under section 78k of this title] may be cited as the 'Securities Investor Protection Act Amendments of 1978'.'

§78bbb. Application of Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, the provisions of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 [15 U.S.C. 78a et seq.] (hereinafter referred to as the "1934 Act") apply as if this chapter constituted an amendment to, and was included as a section of, such Act.

(Pub. L. 91–598, §2, Dec. 30, 1970, 84 Stat. 1637.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original "this Act", meaning Pub. L. 91-598, Dec. 30, 1970, 84 Stat. 1636. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

The Securities Exchange Act of 1934, referred to in text, is act June 6, 1934, ch. 404, 48 Stat. 881, as amended, which is classified generally to chapter 2B (§78a et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see section 78a of this title and Tables.

§78ccc. Securities Investor Protection Corpora-

(a) Creation and membership

(1) Creation

There is hereby established a body corporate to be known as the "Securities Investor Protection Corporation" (hereafter in this chapter referred to as "SIPC"). SIPC shall be a nonprofit corporation and shall have succession until dissolved by Act of the Congress. SIPC shall-

(A) not be an agency or establishment of the United States Government; and

(B) except as otherwise provided in this chapter, be subject to, and have all the powers conferred upon a nonprofit corporation by, the District of Columbia Nonprofit Corporation Act [D.C. Code, §29–501 et seq.].

(2) Membership

(A) Members of SIPC

SIPC shall be a membership corporation the members of which shall be all persons